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A COUNTRY EDITOR ON TOUR

Florida rivals the Old Dominion as the attractions it offers the visitor. have made but two trip to Florida o there are yet many of its top how I'm missing in my notebook. have not been to the Lichtner Museum of Hobbies although we did pend an entire day at St. Augustine. Nor have I been to the Monkey ungle 32 miles south of Miami, the riental Gardens at Jacksonville, the ook Singing Tower, the Sunken Gardens at St. Petersburg, Parrot ungle, Sarasota Jungle Gardens, ingling Museum or the Thomas A. dison Home. But we have visited ilver Springs, St. Augustine Allistor Farm, McKee Jungle Gardens, ainbow Springs, Marine Studios, oss Isle, Ross Allen Reptile Institute, Weekiwachee Springs, the tephen Foster Museum and other of the more popular show places. On our recent trip, we thoroughly enjoyed Silver Springs and Rainbow Springs. Today's subject will be ilver Springs.

We stayed overnight at the Ocala otel, where we found that the anager was from Staunton, Virgi-a. It is just six miles out to Silver rings. This spot is world-famous reason is one of nature's prize ractions, with the water of Silver rings so clear from glass bottom oats, you can see what goes on nder water. The place is highly mmercialized, but you do not reet the reasonable admission charges f fees.

Scientists trace the story of this ace of nature back into the dim nd distant files of time. Recorded story has it that Hernando de oto was the first white man to beold the wonders of Silver Springs, ore than 400 years ago. The earliest dian settlers were the Timugua, ho by 1760 had been replaced by ose who were given the name of minoles. Spain ceded Florida to United States in 1821. Ocala, miles away became an Indian ent and the post provision staon was at Silver Springs.

Before the days of the steamboat, rops piled by slaves moved up down the St. Johns, Oklawaha d Silver Rivers. As early as 1884 re was a hotel at Silver Springs at a wharf fitted with a glass ttom was made to enable visitors get the matchless views of what as on below the surface of the ater.

In the past sixty years, the ace has grown into one of the ior sight-seeing spots in Ameri-. About 800,000 persons visit it a year. And they advertise it as y return to their homes.

here are nearly 40 different cies of fish in Silver River, and you go out in a boat having a bottom. And you sit there ly able to believe your own s, for you can see the bottom the river and all that is between crystal clear as your hand beyou. In places the river nears feet deep, at other places only w feet. And tens of thousands fish! Some of the largest catfish gh up to 30 pounds. All the fish native to the river. Also you the springs bubbling water into river; over 500,000 gallons per ute! Later you enter a boat with ouch deeper bottom, with glass holes along the side, where you in a chair and look out at the thousands of them; and see all beautiful grasses and rock formations under water. Many motion tures have been filmed here and erwater swimming exhibitions helped advertise the place.

wife chided me for spending much of my time in the photo-boat looking up. I was trying to de if a fish could see what was ve the surface! I am no fish, but ould not see, from under water, it was above. There seemed to a sort of veil at the water's face; and the fish below happily about their affairs, not knowall the life that exists among m above! And so it seemsto me that there was a lesson that for mankind. We, too, look and behold a veil which we call sky. And we can only guess t goes on beyond that veil! ne of us, like the fish, never even k about it. But someday, in e's own time, the veil will be ed away. May we live that at time, we will not be destined the frying pan.

Pamplin To Elect Officers Next June

Town officers will be elected this June in the town of Pamplin. In accordance with custom in that community, a mass meeting of voters has been held, and the following candidates have been nominated:

For mayor: Carlton Canada, Jesse Tolley and Charles Mohler.

For town council: Cecil Ligon, W. R. Brightwell, Austin Goode, R. H. Fore and Z. T. Moran, all incumbents; and Tom Wood, Woodrow Williams, Hunter Tolley, Richard Williams, J. G. Thompson, and Mrs. Richard Williams.

Curches Show Two Movies

The churches of Appomattox have secured for the community the opportunity to see two remarkable moving pictures that have been shown literally around the world, in eleven foreign languages, to over 5,000,000 people in fifty-three countries.

The films are "God of Creation" and "Dust or Destiny," two of five so far produced by the Moody Institute of Science, Chicago. They picture beautifully and impressively some of the amazing wonders of nature revealed by telescope and microscope, and give a unique and convincing answer to a question that bothers nowadays a lot of people, especially high school and college students - whether Christian faith can stand up in the light of scientific knowledge.

This double feature movie of not quite an hour and a half will be shown in the high school auditorium on Sunday, April 6, at 3 P. M., as a service rendered by the churches to the community. No admission will be charged and no offering taken. See next week's Times-Virginian for further notice and description.

CPL. RICHARD E. FORE IN KOREAN ACTION

With the 45th Infantry Division in Kores- Cpl. Richard E. Fore, Jr., whose parents live on Route One, Pamplin, Va., has won the Combat Infantryman Badge, symbol of the front line fighting man, while serving in Korea with the 45th Infantry Division.

The badge shows a tiny Revolutionary War flintlock rifle mounted against a blue rectangle which is surrounded by a wreath.

Corporal Fore, a radio operator in Company F of the 180th Infantry Regiment, entered the Army in January 1951.

Lions Club Ladies Night

There will be a ladies night banquet of the Appomattox Lions Club tonight, at 6:45, at the high school cafeteria. Members of the Garden Club will meet with the Lions Club for the banquet.

Goets speaker for the occasion will be Dr. Anne Gary Pannell, president of Sweet Briar College.

OPERATING RESTAURANT

Mrs. J. S. Burks is now operating the Appomattox Restaurant, formerly operated by Fred Godsey.

Vo.-Ag Workers Meet Monday

The 33rd annual Southern Regional Conference of teacher trainers and supervisors of vocational agriculture will be held in Richmond March 31-Apri 4. The Southern region is composed of twelve southern states and Porti Rico.

W. C. Dudley, O. L. Waddell and Doirs Reynolds will attend the conference with other representatives.

On Friday morning, April 4, W. C. Dudley will make a report at the general session on the improvement of contests in vocational agriculture.

The Times-Virginia is assisting in the preparation of a daily newspaper which will be furnished members of the conference. This regional meetting is held in Richmond only once every thirteen years. Headquarters for the conference will be the Hotel John Marshall.

Attends State YFV Meeting

Sam D. Davidson, president of the Appomattox chapter of Young Farmers of Virginia, attended the State YFV Convention in Roanoke, Va., March 21-22. Young Davidson served as a member of the program of work committee during the state meeting.

Davidson

Other officers of the Appomattox Young Farmers organization are William Bitz, vice president; Tom Moore, secretary-treasurer; and H. B. Pack, advisor. Regular meetings of the chapter are held each Monday evening in the Appomattox High School department of vocational agriculture.

P.-T.A. To Elect Officers

The Appomattox P.-T.A. met Tuesday, March 25. At this meeting a nominating committee was elected to bring in a slate of officers for next year. Delegates were chosen to go to the District P.-T.A. meeting in Lynchburg on April 2. It was also decided to sponsor a girl to Girls State this summer.

After the business session, Miss Joyce McCormick, District winner in the American Legion Oratorical contest, gave her address on "The Living Constitution." This was followed by a movie on Child Development.

DRIVE - IN MOVIE

John C. Caldwell, manager of the Lee Theatre, has announced plans for a Drive-in Movie here, modern in every detail. It will be located on Route 24, on the old CCC property.

LAST IN SERIES

The last three episodes in a series of Cathedral Films on the Life of St. Paul, will be shown Tuesday night at the school auditorium. The films are sponsored by the Guild of St. Ann's Episcopal Church.

"SPORTS EXTRA"

See "Sports Extra," a new feature in this paper, a sports column by Norman Simpson, sportscaster, WWOD, Lynchburg.

Spelling Bee Tonight At High School

The division spelling match for Appomattox County schools will be held Thursday, March 27, at 7:30 P. M. in the Appomattox High School auditorium. At that time the winner and runner-up from each school will participate. The winner and runner-up of this match will go to Lynchburg to take part in the area match, competing with pupils from the schools in Amherst, Bedford, Campbell and Halifax Counties and the City of Lynchburg.

During this school year of 1951-52 each teacher has worked to improve the spelling of the entire group of children in her classroom. She has tried to keep up the interest of the children in showing improvement in this skill. The final choice of the papil to represent the school in the division spelling match was not made until several days prior to the match. More emphasis has been put on the improvement than on the winning person.

It is the hope of the division chairman that each Parent-Teacher Association will plan that representatives from the group come to the spelling match on March 27 and support the effort being made to recognize the work being done by both pupils and teachers.

EVERGREEN ORGANIZES MENS BROTHERHOOD

The Brotherhood, an organization of Baptist men, was organized under the leadership of pastor David L. Bailey, uniteing the men of Central, Evergreen, Hollywood and Rocks Churches into one group, at a gathering at Evergreen on March 31. Thirty men formed the charter. The following officers were elected:

President, S. E. Ranson.

Membership Vice-President, Harry Jenkins.

Program Vice - President, R. H. Wooldridge.

Activities Vice - President, Shelby Tucker.

Secretary, Burke Paulette.

Treasurer: C. C. Harvey.

Worship Committee Chairman: Thomas Richardson.

Education Committee Chairman: Bernard Richardson.

Evangelistic Committee Chairman: A. D. Marshall.

Stewardship Committee Chairman: Curtis Paulette.

Benevolence Committee Chairman: Dean Pugh.

Boys Work Committee Chairman: Howard Cralle.

Social Committee Chairman: W. D. Harvey.

Enlistment Committee Chairman: Walter Jordan.

Visitation Committee Chairman: Glenn Martin.

Extension Committee Chairman: Henry Mann.

BASEBALL NEXT WEEK

Bad weather has delayed practice sessions of the Appomattox High School baseball team, but Coach Gordon Bragg hopes to have his squad ready for two games set for next week. The Blue Hornet team is scheduled to play Dan River there on Tuesday, April 1, and Dan River will play here April 4.

Coach Bragg has a squad of veteran performers and anticipates a banner season.

Bloodmobile Here April 19

The Lion's Club of Appomattox, under the direction of A. R. Harwood, Jr., president of the club, and Richard D. Robinson, Appomattox County Blood Recruitment Chairman, is in the midst of securing 160 signed blood donors in preparation for the Bloodmobile coming to Appomattox Saturday, April 19.

The canvass is to be completed and all signed cards to be turned in to Mr. Richard Robinson at his office or at the Lion's Club meeting on or before April 10.

Rev. W. M. Black and Rev. T. L. Simpson, of Pamplin, are seeking to meet the quota of 65 signed donors in their section of the county. These two ministers have a good organization working under their active leadership.

By giving a pint of your blood, you may save a life.

—Rev. R. Carl Maxwell, Blood Program Chairman.

Red Cross Quota Raised

Have you answered the call for the 1952 Red Cross Campaign Fund- That is the question being put to the citizens of the county as the current drive still lags, with the deadline fast approaching.

The 1952 quota has been raised $100 for the present tornado area, including Texas, Arkansas, Louisiana and Oklahoma.

An added appeal for Red Cross help came here from two burned-out families during March. The local Chapter has appeals for hospital beds and other emergencies.

Seventy per cent of the funds collected stay in the home county, and even part of the other thirty per cent comes back in various Red Cross services.

Local Chapter officials quoted today the following from the Washington Post: "The appeal of the Red Cross is in truth a test of our elementary character as an unenslaved nation—a nation in which liberty and fellowship flourish in practice, not merely in theory."

AHS STUDENT COOPERATIVE ASS'N.

The State Student Cooperative Association convention was held at Longwood College, Farmville, Va., March 21-22.

Appomattox High School sent three delegates, as follows:

Betty Faye Burks, SCA president for 1952-53.

Lora Flenhman, secretary and treasurer, 1952-53.

Billy Johnston, president, 1951-52.

Mrs. Frances Cheatham, the SCA sponsor, accompanied the group.

TAX RETURNS DUE

J. H. O'Brien, Commissioner of the Revenue, calls attention to the fact that state income, tangible and intangible personal property tax returns are now due for filing at his office.

REVIVAL AT LIBERTY

Dr. Solon Cousins, of Richmond, will conduct revival services next week at Liberty Baptist Church.

Local Party Committee To Meet Saturday

A meeting of the Democratic Committee of Appomattox County wil be held Saturday at Appomatox Court House. The meeting is called to take action on holding a county mass meeting of Democratic voters to elect delegates to the Fourth District Convention scheduled for May 24 in Petersburg.

The convention instead of the primary method will be used to nominate a Fourth District candidate for Congress, and the convention was set for 2 P. M., May 24 at Petersburg, by a meeting of the district Democratic Committee Monday.

Appomatox Couny will be entitled to twelve delegates in the District Convention, the basis for votes being one vote for each 100 votes cast for the party nominee for governor in the last state election.

The incumbent, Watkins M. Abbitt, has announced that he will be a candidate for re-election. Thus far no other candidates have announced.

County To Use Old Tax Rate

The county board of supervisors for the next fiscal year, which is published elsewhere in today's issue. The budget contains welcome news for taxpayers in that no increase in the county tax rate in contemplated- The supervisors have struggled to work out a balanced budget that will provide for the constantly increasing costs of government yet hold within existing tax structures. Action on the proposed budget will be taken in April.

Call 14 For Examinations

The Local Selective Service Board has announced that the following registrants have been called for physical examination April 2:

Edwin Eugene Martin, Route 1, Spout Spring, White.

Tye Cobb Drinkard, Route 2, Concord, White.

Richard Houston Tanner, Route 2, Concord, White.

Ralph Harold Smith, Route 4,Appomattox, White.

Ernest Cleve Baldwin, Route 1, Pamplin, White.

LeRoy Davis, Pamplin, White.

Finice Albert Jones, Route 2, Spout Spring, Negro.

Herbert Evan Fleshman, Route 1, Spout Spring, Negro.

Nathaniel LeFong Tanner, Spout Spring, Negro.

William Kinney Chambers, Jr., Route 1, Pamplin, Negro.

Willis Harrison Goin, Spout Spring, Negro.

James William Johnson, Route 3, Gladstone, Negro.

James Thomas Davis, Jr., Pamplin, White.

Thomas Edward Branch, Route 2, Concord, Negro.

Homemakers Schedule

Schedule of home demonstration club meetings for the week April 1—4:

Demonstrations will be on covering belts, buckles and buttons by clothing leaders, and mantle arrangements by the Federation Goal leaders.

Tuesday, April 1.- The Lee Home Demonstration Club will meet at 2:00 P. M. with Mrs. George Perdue. Demonstrations will be given by Mrs. Lazalre Lucado and Mrs. Abbott Coleman.

Wednesday, April 2.- The Glendale Home Demonstration Club will meet at 2:00 P. M. with Mrs. F. J. Nash, Sr. The demonstration will be given by Mrs. Raymond Rosser.

Thursday, April 3.- The James River Home Demonstration Club will meet at 1:00 P. M. for the fourth in a series of luncheons, with Mrs. Walter Phelps. The demonstration will be given by Mrs. Cunningham.

Friday, April 4.- Federal Goal leaders are invited to attend meeting on flower arrangements at the American Legion Hall. Demonstration will be given by Mrs. Steadman of Roanoke.

Virginia Homemakers Lack Nutritional Knowledge

Homemakers generally do not know enough about nutrition, and what they do know they frequently don't put to work.

These rather disheartening facts were indicated by a study in Appomattox County,where over 200 home makers were quizzed about their nutritional knowledge, and eating habits.

The Appomattox study, conducted by Virginia Agricultural Extension Service and the Divison of Field Studies and Training,Extension service, Washington, D. C., aimed at getting information which can be used in planning nutrition programs.

Appomattox was chosen as "typically rural," and it is believed the results would be applicable elsewhere.

Among other things, the study showed:

On the day before the interviewers visited them only slightly over half of the homemakers—59 percent —served foods from group II of the "basic seven food chart." Group II includes tomatoes, raw vegetables and citrus fruits. Twenty-one percent did not serve milk and milk products; and a nineteen per cent did not serve green vegetables.

Not enough families said they generally serve some of the protective foods. Only 33 percent said they serve salad greens or yellow vegetables once a day; 44 percent said they serve tomatoes, tomatoe juice, oranges, or grapefruit once a day; 41 percent said they serve meat once a day; 49 percent said they serve children at least one quart of milk a day, and adults at least a pint; 81 percent said they serve some raw vegetable each day. Only 12 percent said they actually have a daily serving of all these five kinds of protective foods.

Homemakers' traditional cooking methods are destroying food values of green vegetables. They cook greens, cabbage and snap beens much too long.

More than half the homemakers had little or no informaion on nutrition. For instance, some of them who said they were substituting for certain foods because of spiraling costs of living, showed no knowledge of what foods substitute nutritionally for other foods. Some who had been cutting down on meat had substituted cereals, potatoes, butter, and fresh vegetables, instead of the protein-rich eggs, fish, cheese, etc.

In spite of all evidence to the contrary, 61 percent of the homemakers said they thought their families were getting about the kind of food they need.

There was a definite relationship between nutritional knowledge, eating habits, the "level of living," and participation in home demonstration clubs.

The families with the higher standard of living, who take part in home demonstration clubs, in general had better information and habits, including production and conservation.

The "home garden situation" is favorable; but the home-produced meat and milk supply lagged..

Naturally enough, farming status affected the amount of food grown and conserved. The full-time farm families ranked much higher.

Few of the homemakers were acquainted with the basic seven food chart—a chart prepared by professional home economists which gives recommended foods, and tells what vitims, minerals, etc. are contained in the various foods.

This, and other information gleaned in the study, will be used by prafessional nutritionists in planning their programs. One of their first aims is a "produce more, eat more, conserve more" tomatoes project season.

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